Minestrone Soup Recipe

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Total Time: 45min

Prep: 15 min Cook: 30 min

Yield: 6 – 2 cup servings Level: Easy

This soup will freeze well.

2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil

1 large onion, diced

4 cloves garlic, minced

2 stalks celery, diced

1 large carrot, diced

1/3 pound green beans, 1/2 -inch pieces (about 11/2 cups)

1 teaspoon dried oregano

1 teaspoon dried basil

Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper

1 28 -ounce can no-salt-added diced tomatoes

1 14 -ounce can no-salt-added crushed tomatoes

6 cups low-sodium chicken broth (1 ½ qt)

1 15 -ounce can low-sodium kidney beans, drained and rinsed

1 cup elbow pasta

Garnish

1/3 cup finely grated parmesan cheese

2 tablespoons chopped fresh basil

Directions

1. Heat the olive oil in a large pot over medium-high heat. Add the onion and cook until translucent, about 4 minutes. Add the garlic and cook 30 seconds.



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- 2. Add the celery and carrot and cook until they begin to soften, about 5 minutes. Stir in the green beans, dried oregano and basil, 3/4 teaspoon salt, and pepper to taste; cook 3 more minutes.
- 3. Add the diced and crushed tomatoes and the chicken broth to the pot and bring to a boil. Reduce the heat to medium low and simmer 10 minutes.
- 4. Stir in the kidney beans and pasta and cook until the pasta and vegetables are tender, about 10 minutes. Taste and adjust seasoning.
- 5. Ladle into bowls and top with the parmesan and chopped basil.

Per serving (2 cups): Calories 260; Fat 8 g (Saturated 2 g); Cholesterol 5 mg; Sodium 560 mg; Carbohydrate 37 g; Fiber 10 g; Protein 15 g

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